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College still solving tech problem

By Bob McDonald

Although the administration of Conestoga College has said that measures have been taken to alleviate problems in the electronic technician program, one student is still upset at what he considers to be inadequate instruction and lack of access to necessary materials.

The college has proposed that students be given the opportunity to make up courses through peer tutoring, extra lab time and video-disc instruction.

In June, Charlie Campagnaro, a 25-year-old student in the program, drew up a petition outlining 21 specific grievances the students had with the program. Out of the 35 students registered in the program, 27 students signed the petition.

Tim Campbell, 24, is one of the 27 students who signed the petition and he said he is still upset. According to Campbell, the measures purposed by the college are inadequate solutions as they do not deal with any of the additional problems that have arisen in the last semester.

Make-up lectures scheduled for the summer have already fallen by the wayside and students are expected to take two 30-hour night school courses in the fall semester.

The peer tutoring program will not be of much help either, said Campbell, as there are not enough students to be tutors. Campbell also said that extra lab time is of no use when parts needed for experiments are not ordered.

Although he is dissatisfied with the present situation,

Campbell said he feels that the administration is helping to ease the situation.

"They're fixing the problems from two or three months ago, but they aren't doing anything about the problems now," he said.

Dave Putt, Doon campus coordinator, said it was a little difficult to say if students were satisfied with the measures taken by the administration, but that certain problems in the ordering and shipping of parts for experiments were not as serious as they were made out to be. Putt said the problems were in the area of paperwork, and could be solved by taking a more organized approach to the process.

"My concern at the moment is that students get the best education possible," he said.

Cambridge lawyer new on board

By Bob McDonald

Roy H. Clark, a Cambridge lawyer, is the most recent appointee to Conestoga College's board of governors.

Clark, 43, is a barrister and solicitor with the firm of Simmers, Harper, Jenkins in Cambridge and was selected by Waterloo regional council to represent the region on the board.

"When I looked into (the position) I found that there were no lawyers or anyone of my background on the board and I thought that perhaps I could make a contribution" said Clark.

He said he had been looking for some way to get away from his law practice and make a contribution to the community at the same time and the field of education interested him.

"I've spent an awful lot of years on the other side of the coin, and I thought it would be very interesting to see the inner workings (of the college)," he said.

Clark's past service with community and professional organizations include serving on the board of directors for the Galt Chamber of Commerce and the Family Service

Bureau, the presidency of the Galt Civic Service Club and the Shades Mill Law Association.

Clark is the fifth new board member appointed in 1985. The other recent appointees are Jack Brady of Goderich, Linda Ham of Staffa (near Stratford), Michael Lawrie of Guelph, and Eileen Parliament of Kitchener.

Clark will serve a three-year term on the board and will take the position formerly occupied by Roger Freeborn of Elmira, who left due to an increased workload.

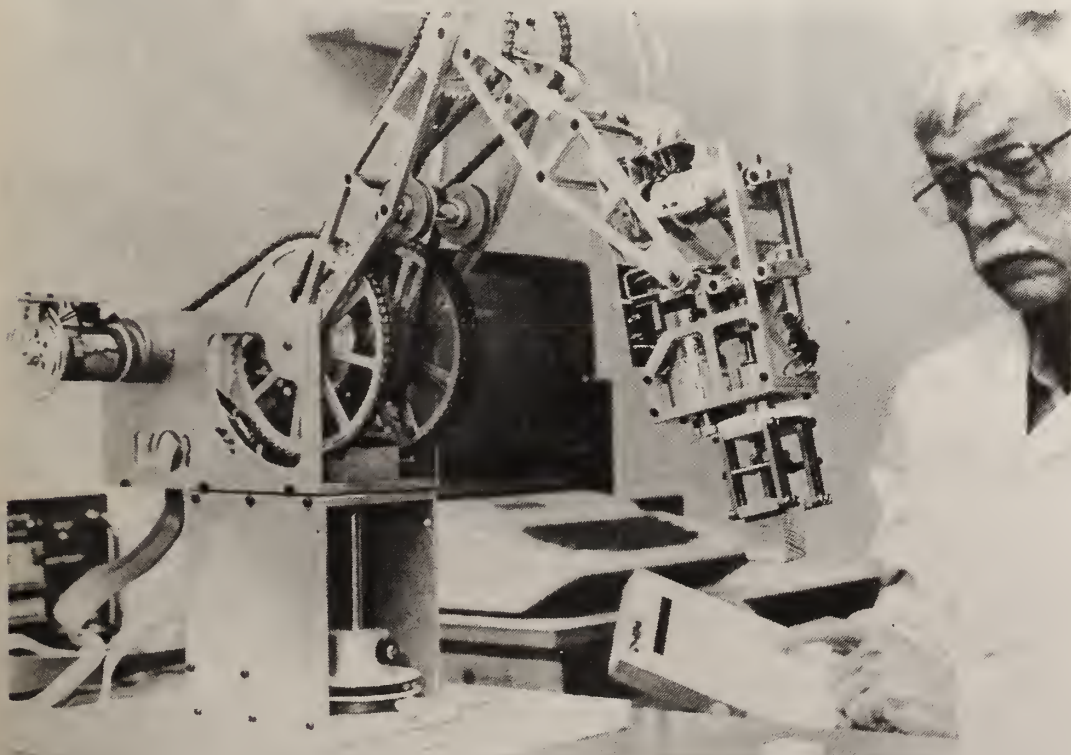


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There's nothin' like a barbecue

Carol Gregory of Doon's student services holds a platter of burgers at Wednesday's orientation pond party. Students participated in outdoor activities, including an egg toss and earthball game.

College's new robotic arms worth \$20,000



Paul Webb/Spoke

Jim Wier, a technician in mechanical programs, operating one of Conestoga's new robot arms

By Bob McDonald

Students in Conestoga's automated manufacturing program are to begin using the college's \$20,000 robotic arm system this September.

The system, installed late this summer, will be used extensively in two courses, Industrial Robots I and II, and is designed to give students a working knowledge of robotics and the ability to make the most efficient use of robots in the workplace.

According to Brian Morriss, a teacher in the technical program, students will learn "how best to change a job using mechanisms, keeping in mind that human beings are still much more adaptable than mechanisms." He said that industry today may be getting carried away with robotics, and "50 per cent of the time they are being misused."

The system is manufactured by Rhino Robots Inc. of Champaign, Ill., and consists of two robotic arms, a connecting

conveyor belt, a turntable, a controller unit and a teach pendant. Each arm can rotate on five separate axes and the "fingers" on the hand will close, allowing a variety of functions. The robots can be controlled manually with the teach pendant, and then these motions will be programmed into an accompanying Apple II computer, or they can be run entirely on pre-programmed instructions. The conveyor belt can be used to link the two arms and enlarge the scope of operations. Objects handled by the arms can also be placed on the turntable for further accessibility.

The robots operate using several DC motors and a system of optical encoders, which are small wheels with holes through them. When a light shines through a hole a sensor records one revolution of a gear and the controller remembers it. In this manner the robots can be programmed to repeat a set of motions almost exactly.

OPINION

SPOKE

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Women deserve equal treatment

While watching CKCO-TV's Streetbeat segment recently, it came to my attention on a few occasions that women were not included among the people questioned on a current matter.

When the threat of a strike by the major league baseball players loomed overhead like a storm cloud, Streetbeat asked the question: Do you think the ball players will indeed strike? The segment showed five or six local male residents answering. The absence of a female being questioned was evident.

Now, of course this segment is just a 60-second filler at the close of the news, airing the opinions of a cross section of people from the city.

However, the interview came off seeming slightly one-sided. It left me wondering what women might have said, had they been approached. Although women do not belong to the major leagues (who knows why) there are local women's softball leagues. Women enjoy the sport as much as men.

Besides, not all men like the sport — two or three males questioned that day said they didn't care if the strike occurred, as they weren't interested in baseball. Perhaps women might have said the same thing, but they were never given the chance to.

Another evening, males only answered the question of whether cutting back on overtime in the workplace would increase employment.

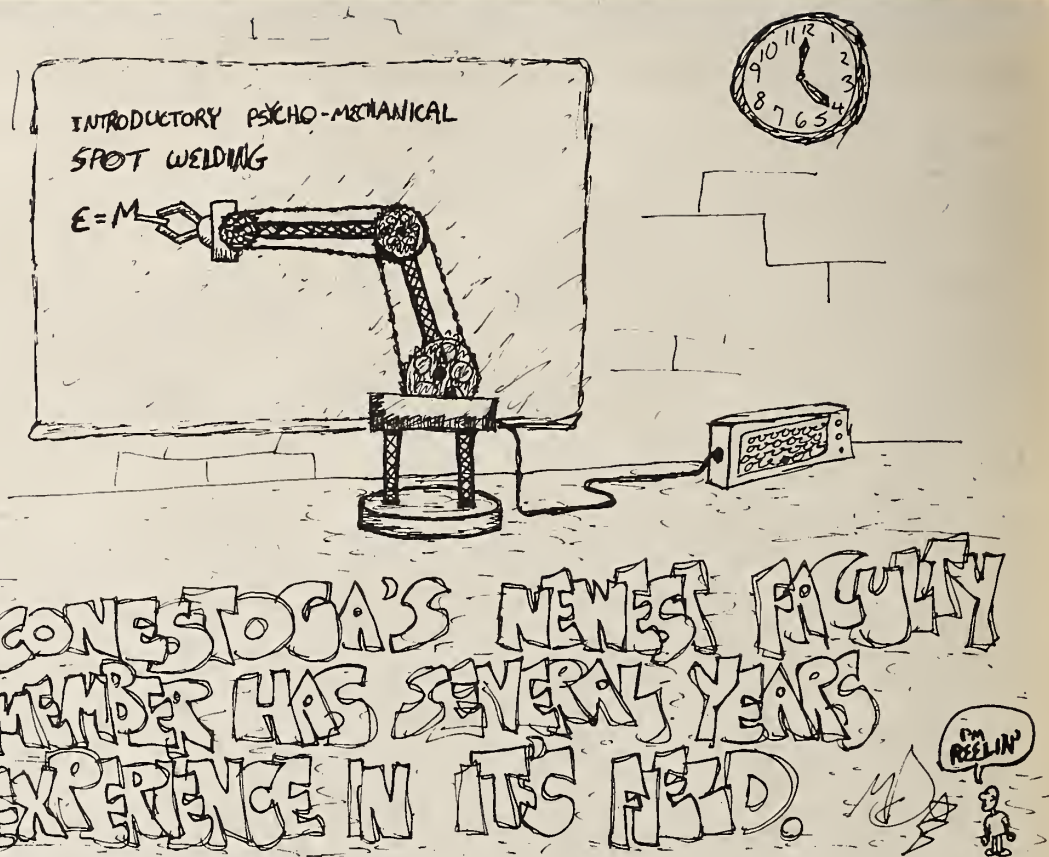
This struck me as completely outrageous. Don't women work? Don't they have a say in what happens in the work force? I felt that the treatment of that particular episode was unfair, and did not present a clear picture of how people felt about that subject.

These are just two examples of chauvinism and perhaps some people may think it trivial, but there is a valid point to be made. When incidents like this occur on a regular basis, society becomes conditioned to considering women as secondary and the bridges between the genders which had slowly started to decrease, immediately widen.

There is no reason why women should be disregarded from discussions or questions which concern them (even if it is done unconsciously). Women have fought long and hard to gain the well-deserved right to voice their opinions and ideas. It all boils down to a matter of respect and common sense.

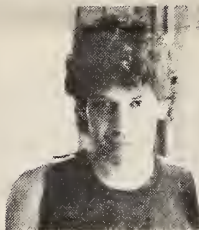
Perhaps if people make a more conscious and concerted effort to observe men and women on an equal basis (in all aspects of society) then the gap which has separated the sexes for so long will slowly dissipate. One can only hope for the best.

- Maggie Schnarr



Question of the week

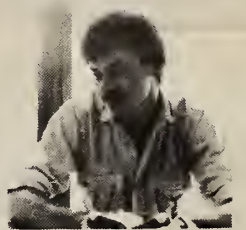
Should beer be sold in corner stores?



Yes, because people are going to buy it anyway so why not get it at the stores.
- Joe Cabral, MTSO



Yes, it should. It would allow for better access.
- Gerry Stubbe, Electronics Technician



Yes, it should. They're doing it in Quebec, why not here?
- Dan Paroski, MTSO



No. There are too many drunk drivers on the road as it is.
- Tom Radstake, Mechanical Engineering technician



Definitely. It would probably result in lower prices and greater availability.
- Al Anderson, MTSO



No, I disagree with the opinion that people will be less likely to get drunk because of the availability.
- Carol Gregory, Counsellor with Student Services

So, why should beer be sold in corner stores?

By Rosemary Coates

The recent decision by the provincial government to consider selling beer in corner stores has brought forth one question which needs to be looked at.

The most touted reason for such a move is to make beer more accessible to the buying public. The question this raises is just how accessible do we want beer to be?

Beer is currently available from Brewer's Retail outlets which sell nothing but beer. The hours vary and there are numerous outlets throughout the Kitchener-Waterloo area. It is available.

Perhaps it is more than just wanting beer to be more accessible. An entire generation has grown up under the influence, so to speak, of the major beer companies. Commercials depict beer drinking as the "in thing" to do. Popular people drink

beer, so why shouldn't we? Somehow it is far more acceptable in today's society for a person to drink beer everyday after work than to sit down and drink a couple of shots of hard liquor.

Beer contains alcohol. Based on the typical sizes of drinks served in bars, the approximate alcohol content of a 12 ounce glass of beer is equal to one glass of wine, which is equal to one glass of sherry, which is equal to one shot of whiskey. I fail to see the

reason why beer is more acceptable.

Beer is as addictive as any other drug and that is what beer is, a drug. Beer is not even a stimulant, as many people believe, but it does gradually dull the reactions of the brain and the nervous system.

There is nothing wrong with drinking and having a good time. We seem to be doing fine as things stand. Do we really need beer in corner stores? If beer is to be sold in stores, why not wine and liquor as well?



Paul Webb/Spoke

The D.B. Detweiler electrical centre will officially be opened towards the end of October.

D.B. Detweiler Centre in use

Sept. 3 was the first day of classes at the D.B. Detweiler Electrical Skills Centre, Conestoga College's newest addition.

Heinz Peper, the centre's manager, said he is both enthusiastic about the potential for the centre and pleased

with the results thus far.

At present there are only two programs offered at the centre, a 52-week electrical machinery and apparatus course and an electrical apprenticeship program consisting of five eight-week modules alternating with work terms.

There are approximately 24 students enrolled in each program but that number could eventually reach 200 or more, Peper said.

Peper said the date for the official opening of the centre is tentatively scheduled for Oct. 24.

Paid parking in effect now

Parking at Conestoga's Doon Waterloo and Guelph campuses now costs you money. Just how much depends on the system of payment you select.

A yearly parking sticker costs \$60. If you choose to pay on a daily basis, at 50 cents a day, it works out to \$40 a semester (80-day semester). If you buy a parking sticker good for one semester, the cost is \$35. By comparison, the parking fees at the universities of Guelph, Waterloo and Wilfrid Laurier are, respectively, \$14, \$30 and \$21 a semester.

Jack Williams, director of

finance for the college, said, maintenance costs for the parking areas were exceeding \$100,000 a year and the money being used for the expenses would be better used channeled into academic areas of the college.

Williams said the college had been using money that belongs to educational purposes to maintain parking lots. "This is money that should be going to the academic aspects of the college. We were subsidizing those who drove, and those who didn't drive were not subsidized at all. It was kind of an unfair situation."

Lounge hours announced

The finishing touches to the newly-erected walls and doors of the student lounge all hinge on missing door hardware.

Mac Rostance, manager of physical resources, said that once the hardware is received, the new student lounge hours can be put into effect.

Student lounge hours will be 7 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.

The new walls were built to

comply with the city of Kitchener's new gaming law, which state that a lounge are a can no longer be considered "just a lounge" when it houses electrical games.

Because of the added electrical equipment and games in the lounge, Rostance said that 1½-hour fire-rated walls were required by the fire marshal.

"This means the walls and doors should hold a fire back for 1½ hours," Rostance said.

Sorbara interested in teacher negotiations

By Bob McDonald

Gregory Sorbara, the minister of colleges and universities in the new Ontario Liberal government, may be new to the political arena, but that hasn't slowed him down in his efforts to avert a possible teachers' strike this fall.

Sorbara won his seat in the riding of York North in the last provincial election and, although he has never held public office before, was selected for a cabinet position by Premier David Peterson.

Shortly after his appointment, Sorbara received a report from the Instructional Assignment Review Committee, a body set up as part of the legislation which ordered striking teachers back to work last October.

Since receiving the report in mid-July, Sorbara has been "working ceaselessly at trying to, in the short term, resolve the difficulties that arose during last year's negotiations," he said.

"I have instructed the Council of Regents to bargain the

issue of workload and make that a part of the negotiations," Sorbara said in a telephone interview.

He went on to say that he had arrived at this decision after extensive consultation with the individual college presidents, the Council of Regents and the teachers' union, to determine their reaction to the report.

Sorbara also said, however, that "none of that is worth very much . . . if this government is not prepared to ante up the costs that are going to arise when one puts workload on the bargaining table, and we are prepared and fully expect that there are going to be extra costs involved when you make (the issue of workload) a subject of negotiation."

The issue of college government will also be looked into Sorbara said, and, although it has yet to be decided what agency will conduct the study, an investigation is planned to determine the roles of the Council of Regents, the individual college boards, and the

ministry itself in the administration of Ontario's community colleges.

A second investigation will be conducted into the bargaining practices used by the colleges. The report from the Instructional Assignment Review Committee strongly suggests that bargaining be done by the individual colleges, as opposed to all the colleges acting as one bargaining unit. Sorbara said that his ministry is inclined to favor the bargaining of at least some of the issues at the college level, and that he has "asked ministry officials to be prepared to look at that question in depth and see what options and alternatives we have."

He added that he did not want to conduct this study openly during negotiations for fear of biasing the process by pre-judging it. He said that any changes in the procedure would have to go through the Ontario legislature, which does not meet again until Oct. 15.

Sorbara also noted that shortly before he took office a Committee on College Effectiveness was put into place, and said he intends "to make use of that committee in the context of what (board chairman Michael) Skolnik has said."

The scope of this committee's activities will be broadened in an effort to increase the effectiveness of community colleges.

Sorbara will also receive a report from another committee established to look into college funding procedures. The report of the Instructional Assignment Review Committee strongly recommends changes to the existing operating grant formula, making it less sensitive to enrolment figures. Sorbara would also like this committee to broaden its scope of activity and try to determine the extent of college underfunding, a major bone of



Gregory Sorbara, minister for colleges and universities

Letters to the editor

To the Editor:

I must challenge the views of both Bob McDonald and Paul Vanderberg on separate school funding.

Vanderberg is correct when he says religion is meant to pervade one's life. However, he neglects to consider those students who have different, mixed or no religious background. There is a difference between learning about religion and being schooled in dogma. Religious education in school should be a study of all major religions.

Students who have no religious background at home may find an interest in one or more of the religions discussed in class. If they wish, they may go to qualified instructors at

the appropriate institution.

Those who have already had religious instruction at home or in church will find some understanding of other religions and may become more tolerant of them.

I agree with McDonald's suggestion to combine the two systems in order to standardize and improve education in general. However, by not wanting religion on the curriculum he neglects to consider the importance it plays in our lives.

If we are to live together in peace we must first understand one another as much as possible.

Monty Kersell
Journalism

contention when the Liberals were in opposition.

Concerning last year's strike by the college teachers, Sorbara expressed dissatisfaction, saying "whenever there is a strike, and whenever tempers are raised to the level that they were raised to last year, someone isn't doing their job."

He added, however, that he thought things worked out well, considering that they now had what he considered to be "an important report," which could be used as a basis for affecting necessary reforms.

Sorbara also found the idea of establishing academic councils to monitor faculty performance appealing, and thought that this may be one way to encourage an atmosphere where each person felt

an integral part of the college.

When asked if he had any message for students, Sorbara said students should "take every advantage of the opportunities that are there and work very hard, not only for your own education, but to make your college a better place."

Sorbara is 38 years old, is married, has six children, and resides in Maple, Ont. He was educated at St. Michael's College at the University of Toronto, received a bachelor of arts in Canadian history and politics from York University and graduated from Osgoode Hall law school. He spent almost three years working for the law firm of Stikeman Elliot in Toronto before leaving to pursue a political career.

ENTERTAINMENT

Spot of the week

The Lanc: Pickled eggs and sports on TV

By Maggie Schnarr

This region offers a host of different hotels and nightclubs, each with its own particular style.

You can dance to the latest airwave sensation inside a thumping video-tech beehive, or simply relax with some of your favorite people in a comfortable rural, small and characteristic tavern.

This week's spot of the week features another rural bar.

The Lancaster House in Kitchener possesses some of the inherent charm of a country tavern because of its clientele and slightly out-of-the-way location.

There are no flashing neon signs beckoning, and the basically nondescript beige and chocolate-brown exterior doesn't reveal any hidden historical charm.

Students considering a visit to this hotel can't miss it as they travel west on Lancaster Street (heading toward Bridgeport). The boat will be easy to spot high atop two beams in the parking lot with the words "The Lanc" emblazoned in red letters on its side.

Built during the 1840s (seemingly a popular decade in which to construct hotels in this area), the Lanc offers several atmospheres to choose from.

You can enter the downstairs part of the bar through three entrances — one off

Lancaster Street, or the side doors off the parking lot. Two rooms separated by a sliding partition divide into a gent's side with a pool table and video screen for watching sports, while the other half has a stand-up bar at one end by the regular bar, and a small dance floor and shuffleboard table.

There is no live entertainment downstairs anymore, although a disc jockey is on hand six nights a week.

John Lawson, manager of the Lanc for nearly two years, said the DJ is "pretty versatile and will play whatever, depending on the crowd that night." Live bands in the past have not always been great drawing cards, and Lawson feels that if the entertainment is only mediocre, it won't pay off.

The crowd, Lawson pointed out, tends to descend on the place in groups due mainly to the sporty atmosphere of the Lanc. Patrons congregate in front of the large screen to watch whatever sport is in season, be it baseball, football, boxing or hockey. The Lanc also has its own shuffleboard team and three baseball teams, including one girl's team and a men's slow- and fast-pitch.

Old prints of local sports heroes dotted along the walls attest to the fact that this hotel is a veritable oasis for sports enthusiasts. Photos of antique cars are clustered about one

section of a wall. As Lawson explained, the Highwaymen Car Club collects pictures of cars taken by some of the members who frequent the Lanc.

Students may take an oceanic voyage upstairs in the S.S. Ocean Queen, where the mood is somewhat more casual and quiet. Cartographers' maps tacked on the ceiling, life-savers lining the railings and fishing net and traps slung across one top corner of the room lend to the overall maritime atmosphere.

In the past, folk singers and small bands have appeared upstairs. If groups want a large space for a private party, Lawson is usually willing to comply. Although not yet definite, Lawson is considering booking comedy routines upstairs, but only if there is an abundance of talent to be tapped.

For jazz buffs, the Sensational Jazz Band plays traditional Dixie-type jazz every Saturday afternoon from 4 until 7 p.m.

The Ocean Queen holds 170 patrons while the downstairs section seats 280 people comfortably.

Beer sells for \$1.80 a bottle, 75 cents for draught and liquor is \$1.85 plus mix.

If you work up an appetite during the course of the evening, the Lanc offers daily specials ranging from hot beef



The Lancaster House in Bridgeport is quiet and casual.

sandwiches to fish and chips.

The kitchen, located on the lower level, dishes up hamburgers and cheeseburgers for \$2.25 and \$2.35 and subs for around \$3, depending on which filling is preferred (ham, beef or salami, for example). Pick-

led eggs at 50 cents and battered mushrooms for \$1.30 are consistent favorites with the clientele.

The Lanc has a spacious parking lot surrounding it on three sides, and there is no cover charge.

Coloured Edges plays Doon's afternoon pub

by Maggie Schnarr

Doon students rang in a new school year during orientation festivities last Wednesday, which included a pond party, barbecue afternoon pub and outdoor activities.

While the crowd inside feasted on hamburgers, hotdogs and beer, the Toronto band Coloured Edges took centre stage for two one-hour sets. Although there was a late start, the band was warmly received and it wasn't long before the cafeteria crowd was dancing to familiar versions of hits by Simple Minds, Talk Talk, Frankie Goes to Hollywood, Tears for Fears and Psychedelic Furs.

Fronted by Dominique Decicco on lead guitar and vocals, his brother Vincent on keyboards, Steven Cohen on drums and Tom Lewis on bass, the band has been hard at work this past summer on material for an upcoming album.

With five songs completed so far and sent to record companies in the U.S. and Europe for a listen, Dominique is optimistic about the response.

"We backed up Strange Advance at Ontario Place at the end of June," he said during the break between sets. "We had an excellent reception."

The new album, he reported, should be released within the year.

In the meantime, Coloured Edges will be quite busy showcasing original material before several college and university crowds this year.

"The show is mostly ours," Decicco said. "We don't do that many covers, not many AM hits. It's just so people will recognize some of the favorites."

The band will be travelling to Newfoundland in a few weeks for some gigs as well.

These particular venues are

more appealing, Decicco said, because "we're not really a bar band. This (college) is more the market that we're trying to reach."

While the present touring circuit is giving them the exposure they need in order to sell their own material (and themselves), it's obvious that Decicco is anxious to get on to brighter prospects.

"The songs were just sent out today to the States and Europe. Who knows, maybe by the time I get home tonight they'll already have been some word on 'em," he said.

Students are shining examples

Stratford residents put their best shoes forward Aug. 29 during the Shinearama, held to raise money to fight against cystic fibrosis.

During the one-day campaign, 71 nursing students from the Conestoga College health services campus in Stratford volunteered their time shining shoes throughout the city.

Terry Lyne McLaughlin, president of the student council for health services in Stratford, said \$3,070.54 was raised, doubling the original estimate.

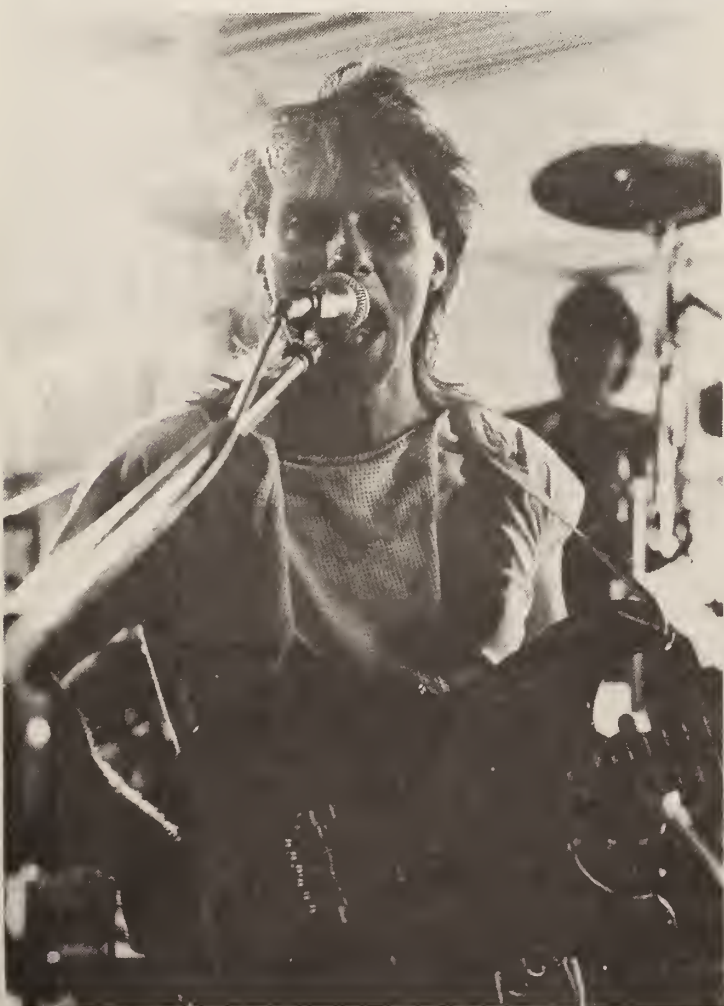
As organizer for the Shinearama, the first of its kind in

Stratford, McLaughlin said she was pleased with the results.

"Stratford is a good, supportive city," she said. "They had their money ready. They knew we were coming."

Posters were displayed beforehand, and McLaughlin said the area radio stations "gave us lots of plugs. They were just great."

Prizes were awarded to the most enthusiastic volunteers, and best shiners for the campaign won six pieces of luggage donated by Samsonite, coupons for haircuts or three trophies from McDonald's restaurants.



Lead singer Dominique Decicco of Toronto's Coloured Edges

Non-traditional occupations now opening to women

By Barbara Aldridge

Over the years, the door of opportunity into male-oriented professions has gradually been opened to women.

Approximately eight years ago, a program came into effect at Conestoga College to help women ease into these professions.

The program was titled Introduction to Non-traditional Occupations For Women, but today is simply called Introduction to Non-traditional Occupations (INTO).

Even though the word "women" was dropped from the program title, it is to date, still only women who take part in the program, but this may change, as a large function of the program is basic career decision-making.

Lynne Proctor, co-ordinator of liaison services at Doon campus, said the program is designed to help people assess their strengths and explore the potential of non-traditional jobs.

Proctor said things such as employer expectations, career decision-making and actual job search techniques are all touched upon. As well, program participants get "actual" on the job exposure in different areas, generally in a technology or business setting.

Rose Egeto, 31, took the INTO program at Waterloo campus because "I wanted to go back to school but I didn't know what for."

Finding it difficult to get into the workforce, the INTO program was recommended to

her by Canada Employment.

Egeto found the program enlightening, discovering there were new doors open to her.

"I thought, why not go after a man's job. You can make that kind of money if you want to," she said.

She found the program well organized. "All the books and material were available," she said, "right at your fingertips."

INTO students also had the opportunity to investigate the various courses offered at Conestoga. They had the chance to visit different factories and institutions, which Egeto found most helpful.

"You could actually go to a company and approach them and say I would like to work in your environment for two weeks, will you have me?" Egeto said.

With the college backing her and all working costs absorbed by the college, Egeto found that company employers were more than willing to co-operate.

"If I went off the street and did that," she said, "they would say no, we don't want you here. You're just after a job, you're up to some tricks," adding that without college backing, approaching the industry would have been near impossible.

After completing the INTO program, Egeto decided to take the 52-week offset printing program at Waterloo. Once in the program, Egeto was surprised to discover how supportive the men were.

"It's very important that you know the mechanics of a press," she said, adding that the men were more than willing to aid her in this area.

Throughout the offset printing program, students were able to take work weeks and Egeto said this was beneficial in making herself known in the industry as a competent individual.

Before taking the offset printing program she worked at various waitressing and factory jobs, "picking up a few bucks wherever I could."

In February of 1985 she graduated and was employed in the industry at various printing jobs.

Recently, Egeto was employed by the Kinsmen Club, national headquarters, at a starting salary of \$15,000.

"I've got my own shop," she said. "I'm working with a fine organization that is respected worldwide. It's a job I can be proud of and hang my hat at."

Egeto said that though some of the applicants were men, "because I was a woman I wasn't disqualified from the job."

She advises women who want to enter traditionally male occupations to be assertive.

"Never give up," she said. "If you want the job, if you

know you're good at it, eventually you'll get the chance to prove yourself. Don't take no for an answer and don't let them forget you if you really want to work there."

The INTO program is sponsored by Canada Employment and is eight weeks in length. The program is offered at Cambridge, Guelph, Stratford and Waterloo.

Proctor said Canada Employment negotiates for college seats twice a year based on demands and capacity varies at the different locations.

Upon completion the student receives a document of recognition.

Employment prep program on

by Maggie Schnarr

Beginning Sept. 3, four Conestoga College campuses will offer people the opportunity to improve their chances for employment through the employment preparation program.

In operation since January 1985, this program runs at the Cambridge, Guelph, Waterloo and Stratford campuses and a new session starts approximately every four weeks.

Employment preparation has been developed to help a person determine his or her career goals through a series of specially-designed courses. The student will then proceed towards that defined goal by attending post-secondary institutions, or receive employment training opportunities.

"For example, if a person

wishes to enter nursing with only a Grade 10 education, subjects like English, math and science are taught and can be used in place of a Grade 12 diploma," said Lynne Proctor, spokesperson for the program.

The program is divided into two components and the course length varies, depending on the student's previous education, particular need and career goals. The maximum length of the program is 52 weeks.

The first eight-week obligatory component is structured so that all options and alternatives for the student are searched in regard to further education and the employment market.

During this time, students will become aware of their

career choices and they are assisted in finding the career suited for them.

The second component offers the student the chance to either upgrade his education or receive employment training opportunities.

Employment preparation is currently sponsored through Employment Canada at the Cambridge campus. Proctor said she hopes the other campuses will follow suit shortly.

Funds are currently available through the technical upgrading program to assist students with living allowances.

The program is offered on a full-time basis daily, and the potential candidate must be 19 years of age and an Ontario resident eligible to work in the province.

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Library resource centre is a wealth of facts

By Barbara Aldridge

The Learning Resource Centre at Conestoga College's Doon Campus is introducing a new cataloguing system in September.

The system, Computer Output Microfiche (COM) will save space and time said library technician, Kathy Potvin.

"All books will be listed on pieces of microfiche," she said. "You can put 5,000 to 6,000 cards on one piece of microfiche."

The old cataloguing system will remain in effect for one year but any new books that come into the library will be recorded on microfiche.

Potvin is hoping that students will take to the new system and won't be intimidated by it.

The centre receives approximately 400 to 500 new books annually and has about 400 magazine subscriptions.

It also carries the Toronto Star, The Kitchener-Waterloo Record, The Globe and Mail and The Financial Post.

Magazines are generally kept for two to five years and newspapers are held for about three months.

Some newspapers and magazines recorded on microfiche and microfilm date back further.

Potvin said they are slowly adding to their microfiche and microfilm collection but the expense keeps them from doing it at a faster rate. There is also a printer that makes it possible to copy from the microfiche and microfilm.

The Learning Resource Centre has approximately 20,000 books. Books are chosen on the advice of faculty and centre staff and there is a broad range of subjects to accommodate the programs and courses at the college.

The centre's budget allows for the increase in book prices but Potvin said exact figures are difficult to estimate.

"It depends on who orders the books and how much they cost," she added.

Art, photography, and graphics books are the most expensive, though technical books are rapidly increasing in price.

Theft of library books has decreased greatly since the installation of a security system in 1976.

"Our biggest problem is

with overdues," said Potvin. "We don't have too many problems with losses."

The audio visual department in the Learning Resource Centre offers a range of technical and general interest videos.

Students can reserve video tapes for classes but tapes cannot be signed out. Potvin said they are three-quarter

inch tapes which are useless on home video machines.

There are 10 viewing booths available and a screening room which accommodates approximately 20 people.

Seven full-time and three part-time staff members are available to assist students.

Orientation tours of the

Learning Resource Centre will be conducted, as arranged by faculty members.

From September, 1985, to the end of April, 1986, the learning resource centre hours will be 8:15 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday to Thursday and from 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Fridays. The centre will be closed on weekends.



Rosemary Coates/Spoke

Linda Conner, a library resources centre worker, seen operating a microfilm viewer.

Budget wisely students warned

Many students have dreams for their OSAP cheque. A new typewriter, a Sony Walkman, a weekend away, an evening or two on the town.

Rick Casey, a counsellor at Conestoga College's Doon campus, said, "it is really important that when you get that income, you take a look at it realistically and put it down in black and white."

A step-by-step analysis of expenses will aid in stretching out the dollars.

Casey advises students to "take a look at major expenses beyond tuition and textbooks."

He suggests that students do some basic bookkeeping, taking into account rent and whether this includes utilities, food, transportation, and recreation, which Casey said is "important or else you go crazy." Another area which Casey said is often overlooked are debts such as car payments, credit cards and previous loans.

For students trying to live

on a shoestring budget, the Kitchener-Waterloo area has second-hand clothing stores such as the Red Parrot on Queen Street or Exchange with Class on Church Street.

There are also several used furniture stores in the area, listed in the yellow pages.

Other ways of cutting back on expenses include getting into a car pool, sharing accommodations, and joining a food co-op where food is bought in bulk.

Casey also said that paying attention to specials that are advertised in the newspaper will help keep grocery bills down.

When and if students find their money dwindling faster than expected, Casey strongly advises that they "don't leave everything to the last minute before asking for help."

Counsellors are willing to aid students in money management but Casey said the decision to seek help is up to the student.

Program year old

The metal fabrication technician program at Conestoga College's Guelph campus, which began in September of 1984, has completed its first year of operation with 13 graduates.

Deborah Weickert, community liaison officer at Guelph campus, said the program was started due to demands from the industry. She said "it was listed third on a federal list of job skills shortages across Canada," adding that demands by the industry exceed the number of graduates.

Weickert said students get "very practical, realistic

types of work experience." Students are trained in a shop, which was built and equipped at a cost of \$1.2 million.

"The facilities are very close to being identical to what they would experience in the industry," said Weickert.

Metal structures are built from blueprints used in the industry.

The metal fabrication technician program has two intakes per year, and accepts 20 students per intake.

Weickert said starting wages in the metal fabrication industry range from \$8 to \$12 per hour.

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We're not second class: Hunter

By Barbara Aldridge

Kenneth Hunter, president of Conestoga College, says community colleges have undergone some positive changes over the years.

"When the colleges first started," Hunter said in an interview, "college students were very much seen as second-class citizens."

Attitudes in the general public and in the eyes of employers, who now view college graduates as first-class citizens have progressed, he said.

He went on to say that a college education is more closely related to the "world we live in," the social as well as the economic realities.

Hunter, who has been presi-

dent of Conestoga since 1974, said that students of the '80s are "more highly motivated" and more sensible than students of the early '70s.

Hunter said he thinks that students today come to higher education knowing more.

He said it is tougher for students today because "as knowledge grows and as information grows, it places more demand on all of us to take that in, to synthesize it."

Hunter said his major accomplishment as president of Conestoga has been "pulling the college community together as a college community and setting up an atmosphere of teamwork. That's the hallmark of Conestoga College and I think we achieved it here

more than any other educational institution."

Hunter, who holds a masters degree in physics, worked in the aerospace industry for 15 years. He was responsible for building an x-ray camera for Skylab and a lunar terrain camera for Apollo.

Hunter left Conestoga a few years ago to take two year appointment as assistant deputy minister to the skills development division of the Ministry of Colleges and Universities.

With two years left before retirement, the prospect of which creates conflicting emotions in him, Hunter said he doubts he will ever completely retire.

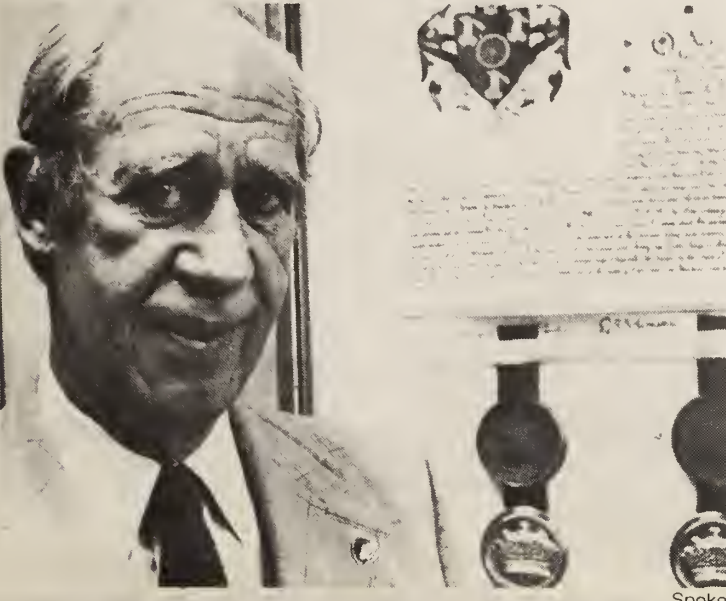
He said that the leisure time he does intend to keep for himself will be spent much the same way he spends it now — reading, playing golf and listening to music, Mozart being one of his favorites.

"Hunter said he keeps in touch with the student population a "number of ways."

"I do it directly, by chatting with students when I meet them. Very often they don't even know that I'm president," said Hunter.

He said that keeping in touch with faculty, administrative support staff and the student government are part of keeping in tune.

"It's just a matter of reaching out and pulling all these bits of information together," he added.



Spoke quiz

1. What is philately?

2. How many pawns in a chess game?

3. What 1952 movie musical starred Gene Kelly?

4. From what is nylon derived?

5. Fill in the blanks and find a raincoat and name of a computer.

6. Anatomy question: How many bones in an adult human skull?
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c) 22

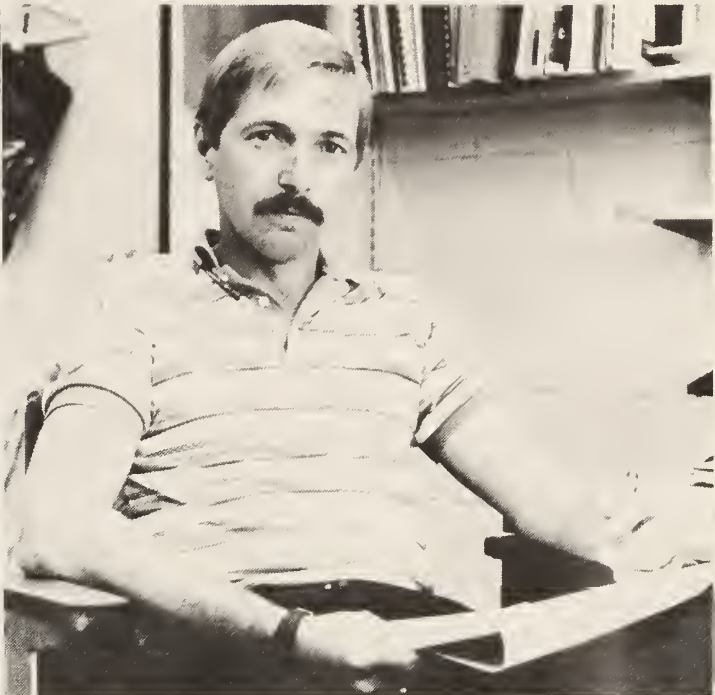
d) 19

7. What does pedagogical mean?

8. What rock star's name is scrambled here?

9. Sport's question: Who was management's representative in the recent professional baseball negotiations?

10. Name the mayor of Waterloo.



Rick Casey, a counsellor in student services, scored 6 out of 10. Rick missed on questions 2, 4, 5, and 6.

Answers

1. Stamp collecting; 2. 16; 3. Singin' in the Rain; 4. coat; 5. Macintosh; 6. c) 22; 7. teaching; 8. Bryan Adams; 9. Lee MacPhail; 10. Marjorie Carroll

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SPORTS



Potential soccer players start with the basics.

Bill Ashwell/Spoke

Soccer team contender

Men's soccer, one of the more successful varsity teams at Conestoga College, is gearing up for another season.

Geoff Johnstone, head coach for the past 14 years, says he has high hopes for the coming season.

"Last year we reached the divisional semi-finals. That's where we were eliminated," Johnstone said.

"We'll make the playoffs again this year," he added. "But we've got holes to fill."

The biggest hole is the vacancy left by Steve McNabb, the Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) scoring champion. However, Johnstone doesn't feel too worried by McNabb's departure.

"We've always had enough

players to field a good team. We get a lot of players from the Kitchener and Cambridge minor soccer leagues. They always provide good talent," Johnstone said.

With 12 returning players, Johnstone expresses confidence that the team will have sufficient depth and experience to make for another successful season.

"We'll do fine, but we do need goal scorers and a little more depth in goal," Johnstone said.

Soccer has been one of the more popular varsity teams at Conestoga over the years.

"The last seven years we've always been contenders," Johnstone said.

Injuries a part of every athlete's nightmare

By Bill Ashwell

Injuries are, unfortunately, as much a part of athletics as winning and losing and no one is more aware of that than Doug Perkins, a Conestoga Centre athletics officer and athletic therapist.

Perkins, who has been a therapist at Conestoga for the past two years, brings to the job a wealth of experience in the field of treating athletic injuries.

A graduate of Sheridan College, Perkins spent 10 years with various sports teams as a trainer therapist before coming to Conestoga.

"I started out with the Major Junior A hockey team in Kamloops, British Colum-

bia. Then I went to the Cornwall Royals and worked with then-coach Orval Tessier. I spent time with the team in Weyburn, Saskatchewan as well as the Saskatchewan Roughriders. So I'm not without experience," he said.

Being the only therapist-trainer in the varsity program, Perkins finds it difficult to devote enough time to each team.

"I really need managers and trainers for varsity sports. At this point I'm the only one and that means I have to cover all the teams," he said.

Sports injuries are always anticipated but never looked forward to, Perkins said.

"You always have to be prepared to expect the worst, but you hope that you will never have to deal with such a situation," he said.

Although there is no one varsity team that seems to be the most injury-prone, Perkins feels that hockey seems to have more than its share.

"If you really had to narrow it down I would have to say that the most injury-prone team is the hockey team.

Other teams like basketball get injuries like jammed fingers, ankle sprains, stuff like that," he said.

The worst injury that Perkins ever witnessed at Conestoga occurred during a hockey game last year.

"We had a kid who got hit from behind and had his whole shoulder separated. Ligaments and tendons. It was pretty bad," Perkins said.

"You're never really sure how a kid that's injured is going to react. Some have a low threshold of pain and you, as a therapist, have to remain calm in those situations because if the kid sees you panicking it's not going to do either of you any good at all," he added.

Perkins is equipped to deal with minor injuries at the centre but the more serious injuries are referred to Dr. J.P. Schaman, a cardiac rehabilitation and sports medicine specialist in Breslau.

"We have a system where

an injured athlete must have a card signed by his own doctor stating that he (the athlete) is fit to resume playing. If they don't have that card signed, they don't play. It's that simple," Perkins said.

Perkins says that in order to be properly protected from potential injuries, the athlete should spend the money to get proper protection.

"Most people come into hockey, for example, with equipment that is second, third, and even fourth hand. We had one guy last year on the hockey team who played the whole season with cracked knee pads. You can't be properly protected with inferior equipment," he said.

Touch football filling gaps

Touch football is entering its eighth year as a varsity program at Conestoga.

The team has been reasonably successful in the past because the tournament format usually dictates the success of the team, said Dan Young, co-ordinator of athletics and campus recreation for Conestoga College.

This year's team, coached by Duane Shadd and Dan Young, hopes to do better than the respectable third place showing in their division posted last year.

"The last two years they (the Condors) have hosted the West Regional tournament," Young said.

In that setup, the top two teams advance to the Ontario College Athletics Association (OCAA) finals.

There are five schools that seem to dominate the field of competition. Mohawk is considered the strongest contender for this coming season. Also in the running are Algonquin College in Ottawa, Durham College in Oshawa, Georgian College in Barrie and

Loyalist College in Belleville.

"Mohawk is the strongest team right now," Young said. "They've won the OCAA title for the past four years."

The team's chronic weakness seems to be the quarterback position. Intense recruiting resulted in the team securing a highly-touted high school athlete from Sarnia, Mark MacInrue.

According to Young, assistant coach, MacInrue was a quarterback at his high school in Sarnia and he will be playing basketball as well.



Bill Ashwell/Spoke

Hopeful basketball stars were kept busy the first day of tryouts.

Hockey: up from the ashes

After posting a disastrous 1-26 record last season, there is nowhere for the hockey Condors to go but up.

Head coach Mike Kearns, along with first-year assistant coach Rob Hedges, is optimistic there will be a turnaround in the team's fortunes this season.

"We are going to improve over last year for sure. Just looking at some of the guys we recruited, the calibre of this camp is going to be higher than last year," Kearns said.

With between 18 and 20

players returning from last year, Kearns feels their experience will be an asset.

"There will be lots of competition going on out on the ice," he said.

Kearns said he feels that last year's poor showing will help this year's team.

"When you only win one game there's bound to be changes. I hope everybody comes out and gets a shot but if there's no one to replace them then we'll have to go with the same guys."

As head coach, Kearns intends to make changes. He has already added Hedges, who has had experience with minor hockey coaching in Cambridge, as assistant coach, and plans still more changes.

Kearns is entering his first full year at the helm of the Condors. He replaced Paul Picard in October of last year. The year before he spent half the season as an assistant coach.

The final results on who makes or doesn't make the team will not be known for a few weeks.

Cagers optimistic

A disappointing 2-20 mark was the reward for a seemingly futile 1984-85 Condor basketball season.

"I've got high expectations and goals for this season. We certainly can't do any worse than we did last year," said head coach, Helmut Tinnes.

"We did a lot of recruiting last year, hopefully we'll have some good people come out and we'll take it from there," Tinnes said.

There were a number of factors contributing to last season's dismal finish. Being a

young team with a dearth of experience and numbers was a problem last year but may prove to be an asset this year.

"A severe lack of depth hurt us last year," Tinnes said. "We only had seven guys come out last year. We had no commitment. It was a real disappointment."

"I hope that through scouting and the returning players that we'll get more depth and that we'll have the numbers and the talent to improve this year. Like I said, we couldn't do much worse," Tinnes said.